

Notice of Exemption

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Project Title: Lewis Ranch River Pumps (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification No. COL-16856-R2)

Project Location: The project is located at the Sacramento River, in the County of Colusa, State of California; Latitude 39.270217, Longitude -122.001333.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has extended Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS Notification Number COL-16856-R2, pursuant to Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the project Applicant, Hans Herkert.

The project is limited to the extension and screening of an existing water pump. The pipe is currently buried approximately 6 to 12 inches deep and covered with soil and rocks. Rocks and sediment will be excavated to the minimum extent necessary to access to the pipe. The pipe will be buried up to 2 feet deeper and extended 2 to 4 feet. No work will occur in wetted portions of the channel. The pipe will be extended out toward the Sacramento River and will be used to extract up to 6,260-acre-feet of water per year. The pipe opening will be screened according to the standards outlined in the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's (NOAA) 1997 document, *Fish Screening Criteria for Anadromous Salmonids*. The excavated materials will be used to cover the pipe once work is complete. No vegetation removal is planned during project activities.

Public Agency Approving Project: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Person or Public Agency Carrying out Project: Hans Herkert

Exempt Status:

- Categorical Exemption. Type – Class (1, 2, 4); California Code of Regulations, title 14, sections (15301, 15302, 15304)

Reasons why project is exempt: *Class 1, section 15301;* The project is exempt because it consists of the minor alteration to an existing private facility which will involve negligible expansion of its former use. *Class 2, section 15302;* The project is exempt because it involves the replacement of an existing structure where the new structure will be located in the same site and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced. *Class 4, section 15304;* The project is exempt because it consists of minor alterations to land which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees.

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